

House File 2537 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL
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(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 734)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the control of beverage containers by
2 expanding the types of beverage containers covered and
3 increasing the reimbursement amount paid to dealers.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. Section 455C.1, subsections 1 and 2, Code 2007,
1 2 are amended by striking the subsections and inserting in lieu
1 3 thereof the following:
1 4 1. "Beverage" means a liquid intended for human
1 5 consumption and packaged in a beverage container for sale to
1 6 consumers. "Beverage" shall not include the following:
1 7 a. A liquid typically ingested in very small quantities
1 8 and consumed for medicinal purposes only.
1 9 b. A liquid designed to be consumed only as a nutritional
1 10 supplement.
1 11 c. A product intended to be consumed, or packaged and sold
1 12 to consumers or institutions, in a frozen state.
1 13 d. A powdered drink mix.
1 14 e. A soup or broth, including seafood, meat, or vegetable
1 15 broth.
1 16 f. Farm-produced apple cider which has not been heated,
1 17 pasteurized, or otherwise processed.
1 18 g. A liquid which is any of the following:
1 19 (1) A syrup.
1 20 (2) A concentrate.
1 21 (3) Typically added as a minor flavoring ingredient in
1 22 food or drink, such as extracts, cooking additives, sauces, or
1 23 condiments.
1 24 h. Milk or other primarily dairy-based drinks.
1 25 2. "Beverage container" means a glass, plastic, or metal
1 26 container, sealed by the manufacturer, containing a beverage
1 27 of at least five and one-half fluid ounces or one hundred
1 28 sixty-two milliliters but not more than sixty-eight fluid
1 29 ounces or two liters in size.

1 30 Sec. 2. Section 455C.2, subsection 2, Code 2007, is
1 31 amended to read as follows:
1 32 2. In addition to the refund value provided in subsection
1 33 1 of this section, a dealer, or person operating a redemption
1 34 center who redeems empty beverage containers or a dealer agent
1 35 shall be reimbursed by the distributor required to accept the
2 1 empty beverage containers an amount which is ~~one cent~~ two
2 2 cents per container. A dealer, dealer agent, or person
2 3 operating a redemption center may compact empty metal beverage
2 4 containers with the approval of the distributor required to
2 5 accept the containers.

EXPLANATION

2 7 This bill relates to the control of beverage containers.
2 8 The bill increases the types of containers which require a
2 9 refund value to include beverage containers such as bottled
2 10 water and juice drinks.
2 11 The bill also increases the reimbursement amount, commonly
2 12 referred to as the handling fee, paid by distributors to
2 13 dealers from 1 cent per beverage container to 2 cents per
2 14 beverage container.
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